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Moin-ul-Vizarath
A. K. SYED TAJ PEERAN, B.A.
Deputy Commissioner

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE,
BANGALORE.

D. O. S.R.241/30 31

Dated. 5th March 1931.

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Dear Sir,

I beg to enclose herewith, for favour of your kind information a copy of letter of date addressed to the Chief Secretary to Government, regarding the occurrences of yesterday night in the City.

Yours sincerely,
A. K. Syed Tajpeeran

P. Mahadeviah, Esq., B.A., B.L.,
Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
Law Department,
Bangalore.

Subd for perusal
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P. M. 6/3/31.

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ROUTINE NOTES.

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2nd member's minute dated 7.3.31 in 47/P (confl)

I believe we have told the C.C that in Bangalore the Military should be made availa to the Civil authorities after ob instructions from Govt. (Please verify this) " sd. K.Y.7

Law Secy desires the Supdt, G Branch, to verify & note whether any instructions, apart from the S.O of 31st August 1929, have been issued to the C.C. in the matter by the members

(R.S. III—3)

Routine Notes.

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The District Magte Bangalore

P. 6526 dated 7.4.31 intimating in a place like Bangalore, the D.M. are requisitioning the services of the Library, should obtain the approval of Govt to the Course proposed

Copy to the C.C.

For personal return: the Govt Soln placed below may be

F. A. HAMILTON, Esqr., C.I.E.,
INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF POLICE
IN MYSORE
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BANGALORE

Dated 5th March, 1931.

D.C
No. C.C.25/30-31.
Encl: nil

Dear Sir,

I enclose herewi
of the Dewan a copy of letter of date addressed to the Law Secretary to the Government, containing my report of the disturbances that occurred in the City yesterday.

Yours Sincerely,

Submitted for perusal
5.3.31

To

T. Singaravelu Modaliar, Esq., B.A., B.L.,
Private Secretary to the
Dewan of Mysore,
BANGALORE.

As agreed by the Dewan of
Second Member, copy has been placed
at the disposal of the Press.
Do Law see with compliments in favour

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Tel. Address :
"ALACRIS"
PHONE NO. 298

No. C.C. 25/30-31
Encs.

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF POLICE
IN MYSORE,

Dated Bangalore, 5th March, *193* 1

From

F. A. HAMILTON, Esq., C.I.E.,
INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF POLICE IN MYSORE,
BANGALORE.

To

P. MAHADEVAYYA, Esq., B.A., B.L.,
Law Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
BANGALORE.

SIR,

I have the honour to report that some disturbances occurred in various parts of Bangalore City during the course of yesterday evening and night. They first started in the Foot-ball match, in which the contestants were a team of Mahomedans from Bangalore Cantonment and a team composed of the Hindus with a Mahomedan leader. The match progressed satisfactorily and peacefully until practically at its close at 6-30 P.M., when the Hindu side rapidly gained goals and won the match. The Mahomedan team objected to one of their co-religionists playing for the team of Hindus and proceeded to assault Baba, the leader of the other side as well as one Ramanna who had displayed ability in the match. The Police Inspector interfered to prevent the disturbance whereon some of the Mahomedans rooted up the bamboo posts along the ground and proceeded to assault the Policemen who were heavily outnumbered and overpowered. Rioting ensued between the Hindus and Mahomedans. By the time police reinforcements arrived the Muslims who came mostly from the Cantonment had dispersed. During the course of the fight several policemen were injured and the police bus in which the members of the Hindu team had taken refuge was damaged.

2. The dispersing crowd proceeding into City spread alarming stories of what had occurr the result that by 7-30 P.M. stray assaults on Hindus and Mahomedans were occurring in differe Reports of such assaults were received from dif directions. The most important disturbance oc in the Market Square where a crowd of Mahomedan and assumed a militant attitude. While they we dispersed a Mahomedan Jutkawala was found with sticks in his Jutka which he was trying to dist amongst the Mahomedans. The mob was, however, satisfactorily dispersed and police patrols were organised in the several parts of the City. Isc incidents continued to occur; jutka drivers we assaulted by Hindus near Dodpet and solitary ind some of them strangers to theCity - being assa injured.

3 A detachment of 100 of the Mysore Hor summoned and arrived with Col.Loch and were post the Market Square, Yelahankagate and Ulsoorgate. Patrols were also organised in moving buses and officials including the District Magistrate and First Magistrate moved about the affected areas.

eventually cleared out of the City limits by about midnight. The members of this mob were variously estimated at from 1000 to 3000 persons. On being questioned some of the members stated that they had been informed that a Mosque in the City had been injured and several Mahomedans slain. On being given to understand that these stories were utterly false they retired.

5. Sixty-four injured persons were admitted into the Victoria Hospital, 33 of the number being Hindus and 31 Mahomedans. 11 casualities were also treated at the Bowring Hospital, and 26 at the Maternity Hospital. Action is being taken with regard to the rioting at the Y.M.C.A. grounds and against persons arrested on the spot in various places for being members of unlawful assemblies. Numbers of people were moving about armed with cudgels and the mob coming from the Cantonment was similarly armed, and it was amongst these persons that the arrests were made and action is being taken for the latter offences.

6. The City Police under the District Superintendent of Police, Assistant Superintendent of Police and the Provincial Reserve Police behaved well, while the Mysore Horse were found useful and displayed considerable restraint when assaulted by the mob. I have to commend to the notice of Government the name of Mr. Younoos Sait in pursuading members of the Cantonment mob to disperse and return to their own territory.

7. For today precautions have been taken to prevent further clashes between the members of the two communities rendered liable by the occurrence of the Kama festival, and steps have been taken to assuage the feelings of the contestants, the Municipal Councillors

interesting themselves on that behalf in perambulating the City. Though some irritation exists things are at present peaceable and any recurrence of these disturbances is not apprehended.

8. Throughout the operations I have acted in cooperation with the District Magistrate and sent this report after consultation with him.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Sd. F.A. Hamilton,
INSPECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE.

"Copy"

SPECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE.

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In all future communications please quote No. C.2. 241/30-31 Enc

Tel. Address.—"DEPCOM"
Post Box No 34.

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER,
BANGALORE DISTRICT.

Dated, Bangalore, the 5th March 193 1

FROM

Moin-ul-Vizarath A. K. Syed, Esq., B.A.,
Deputy Commissioner,
Bangalore District.

To

N. Madhava Rao, Esq., B.A., B.L.,
Chief Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
Bangalore.

SIR,

Subject:—

I have the honour to submit the following report upon the occurrences of last night in the City.-

2. The trouble started with a football match between the BLUES on one side and the MUSSLIMS on the other. As far as I have been able to gather, the match went on peacefully till the close. One Mahomedan was playing on the side of BLUES. At the conclusion of the match the Mahomedan spectators appeared to have gone in agains this man for having played against the Musslims. The Police interfered and a general conflegration ensued. At that time I was in th Intermediate College attending the University Union Day. Information came to me of this trouble. I immediately started and w to the Yelahnkagate Police Station. There I found that there were many Police Constables and they were not aware of what had occurred but people were talking alarmingly of what had occurred in the - Y.M.C.A., grounds. At that time quite a considerable number of Hin gathered themselves into a mob and began to assault all the Jutkawallas that were coming that way and some of them that were badly injured were sent to the Victoria Hospital by me and the Yelahanka Gate Police. I was also told that at Y.M.C.A., a number of Police Constables and Police Officers had received injuries and that there was a crowd at Ulsoorgate also. Messrs. T. Rangasamy, Srinivasan and B.S. Raghavendra Rao were with me and rendered me assistance in phoning and going from place to place. As I could not get sufficient men on the spot, I proceeded to see Mr. Hamilton at his place after phoning instructions to the various Police Stations. I spoke also

also with Mr Sullivan, Commissioner of Police, Bangalore Cantonment. requesting him to prevent any Musslims coming from there and augment trouble. I found the Inspector-General of Police at his place and discussed the situation with him. Both of us agreed that it was desirable to take the help of the Military immediately to prevent the spread of this mischief till the Police arrangements could be made perfect. Mr. Hamilton then went round in the City and requested me to go to the Commandant to fetch the Military as I could not get any phone connection the Chief Commandant. I learnt there that the Commandant had gone to Madras and then I sent for the Second-in-Command and also phoned to the Chief Commandant who immediately responded to the call and came to the place in about 5 minutes. By this time a number of assaults were going on in various places and some crowds

City and Special Magistrates were available to the Police at all hours of the night in case of any contingency, I also instructed the Police to round up rowdies who had stones or sticks and were parading the streets.

3. At about midnight, I got a phone message that some trouble was anticipated by a crowd of Mahomedans that had comefrom Cantonment and that the Inspector-General of Police was on the spot. I also learnt that the Military fired some shots in the air for scaring away the crowds that had come from Cantonment. Mr. Hamilton handled that situation and persuaded these people to return away. They appeared to have arrested a number of people of both the communities for unlawful assembly and being in possession of articles likely to cause hurt. The night passed off quietly.

4. The day has opened very well and today being the day of the Kama procession, while discharging the Military men I requested the Chief Commandant to have 50 men ready at the Old Sowar Lines in case of any emergency. I went round again the whole of the area covered by the disturbances taking with me prominent leaders including the President of the Municipality. We advised the people to be calm and assured them that the Law breakers would be punished for disturbing the peace of the Town. The Inspector-General of Police also was with me. The latest enquiries up to the time of writing of this report go to show that the total number of people injured is 64, 31 being Mahomedans and 33 Hindus. None of them were fatal though a few are serious. There have been no deaths whatsoever, though some alarming reports were spread by a few interested people. Two cases of rioting against both the Hindus and Mahommedans will be registered against the various parties in the Y.M.C.A., grounds and the people arrested in the night will be charged for being members of unlawful assembly. Today being the Kama procession day, we have made arrangements to see that all processions are over before 6 O'Clock The Police force have been strengthened by Reserve hands and they are kept in readiness for any emergencies. The situation is well under control and there seems to be no reason for any further anxiety. All precautionery steps have been taken and what would have developed into a very serious communal Gorilla warfare and riot has been averted. All the Police

Police and other Officers have worked with zeal and enthusiasm and the thanks of the people are due to them for restoring quiet and calm in such a short time

5. I may also add here before concluding, that I came to know that in dispersing the crowds in the night the Military people received some bad injuries as a result of stone throwing. Besides 64 people, 12 were treated at Bowring Hospital. About the calling in of the Military, I may add that the sudden unexpected development of the communal feeling threatened to get out of control and before the Police could realise the position much mischief and irreparable loss to life and property would have resulted. The Kama feast had brought out large crowds of Hindus for cremating Kama. To avoid serious clash and injury to men and property the Military was summoned which had the desired effect of nipping away the whole movement in the bud before it could take any shape and thereby save the people of the City from dangers and ravages of a commmnal riot.

6. The feelings of both the communities are still running high and every effort is being made to restore confidence. Business is being done as usual excepting some Mussalman shops in Nagarthpet all shops and mandies are open. In my opinion a communique from the

With reference to your D.O. No. C.C.

241/20-21 of the 5th inst regarding the disturbances, I am directed to state that Govt consider that though the discretion of assembling an unlawful assembly to be dispersed by the Military ultimately rests with the magistracy, yet in a place like Bangalore where facilities exist for communicating with Govt in a couple of minutes at any time, you should have consulted them before summoning the Military whose appearance in every such case may entirely alter the complexion of the whole situation

I am also to add that there is no need for you to have personally gone all the way to Hebbal to bring the Military when the occasion demanded your constant presence within

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CONFIDENTIAL

To,

The District Magistrate,
Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to Mr. Syed Taj Peeran's letter No.C.C.24/30-31 dated the 5th March 1931 regarding the disturbances in Bangalore on the 4th night in connection with a Football Match, I am to invite attention to the Chief Secretary's Confidential letter No.100/C.B.157-28-68 dated 6th July 1929, (Copy of which is herewith enclosed for ready reference), and to state that Govt. consider that in a place like Bangalore, which is the Head Quarters of Government, the District Magistrate, before requisitioning the services of the military, should, whenever circumstances permit it, obtain approval of Government to the course proposed, ~~especially since in view of the telephone facilities this would not be difficult in the generality of cases~~ with the Exception being available for the purpose. There should ordinarily hence difficult in many the approval but what unnecessary delay I have etc.

Secretary to Govt.
Law Department.

GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE

CONFIDENTIAL.

General and Revenue Secretariat

Dated, Bangalore,.....

No.

From

The Secretary to the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore,
Law Department.

To

K.B. Anantaraman, Esq.,B.A.,

District Magistrate, Bangalore.

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I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Sd: P. Mahadevayya

Secretary to Government,

D.O.No.100/C.B.157-28-68 dated 6-7-1929 from the Chief Secretary to Government, to the Deputy Commissioner and District Magistrate, Bangalore.

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I am desired to state that Government have observed that inspite of instructions given to you in my letters dated 8th May and 12th June 1929 in the matter of summoning the military and your letter No.C.C.241 dated 15th June 1929 in reply thereto you have still been calling in the military to help the police. Government are of opinion that the presence of troops in the City has a disturbing effect on the public mind and should be avoided as far as possible. I am therefore to state that the Military should not be called out without the special permission of Government unless grave and absolute necessity arises. If such an emergency should arise and if you are compelled to call in the military, you should at once report the matter to Government.

For Secy.to Govt., Law Dept.,